

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Status of Claims:

No claims are currently being cancelled.

Claims 2, 6, 9, 14, 15, 20, 21, 23 and 24 are currently being amended.

No claims are currently being added.

This amendment amends claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claims remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 2-26 are pending in this application.

Claim Amendments:

Claims 2, 6 and 9 have been amended to more clearly distinguish over the cited art of record. For example, claim 2 recites a step of analyzing the inherent screen having a GUI widget operated by the base software, said analyzing being performed by the overlay software external to the base software to automatically generate a guidance for subsequent sequence of action on a GUI widget on the cover screen. Claim 2 also recites that when an operation on the menu on said cover screen is performed through acting on a GUI widget, an operation equivalent to the operation performed on the GUI widget on said cover screen is executed on the inherent screen of said base software in accordance with previously registered widget-relation information and not in accordance with any execution of said base software.

Such features as highlighted above in claim 2 are not taught by the cited art of record.

Similar amendments have been made for independent claims 6, 9, 14, 15, 20, 21, 23 and 24, whereby those claims also now more explicitly distinguish over the cited art of record.

As to the other presently pending claims under rejection that have not been amended, please refer to the arguments provided in the after-final response filed on December 28, 2005.

Conclusion:

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and an early indication of allowance is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check or credit card payment form being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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